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Item 2 of the provisional agenda*

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Provisional programme of work and timetable

Note by the Secretariat

1. The proposed programme of work and timetable for the fifty-first session of the Statistical Commission has been prepared pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and the Statistical Commission in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the limits of the time and services allocated to the Commission.
2. The first meeting of the fifty-first session of the Commission will be convened on Tuesday, 3 March 2020, at 10.30 a.m. Facilities will be available for two formal meetings on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (except Tuesday, when the meeting starts at 10.30 a.m.) and afternoon meetings from 3 to 6 p.m.

* E/CN.3/2020/1.



Provisional programme of work and timetable

Tuesday, 3 March 2020

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| 10.30–11 a.m. | Opening of the session

Item 1. Election of officers

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

<i>For discussion</i>

Provisional agenda and annotations (E/CN.3/2020/1)

Note by the Secretariat on the provisional programme of work and timetable (E/CN.3/2020/L.1)

Item 3. Items for discussion and decision |
| 11 a.m.–1 p.m. | Item 3 (a). Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

<i>For discussion</i>

Report of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (E/CN.3/2020/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the work for the review of progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals (E/CN.3/2020/3)

Report of the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (E/CN.3/2020/4)

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Item 3 (b). Coordination of statistical programmes

<i>For discussion</i>

Report of the Committee of Chief Statisticians of the United Nations System on coordination within the United Nations statistical system (E/CN.3/2020/5)

<i>For information</i>

Report of the Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities (E/CN.3/2020/6) |
| 3.45–4.30 p.m. | Item 3 (c). Future of economic statistics

<i>For discussion</i>

Report of the Friends of the Chair group on economic statistics (E/CN.3/2020/7) |
| 4.30–5. p.m. | Item 3 (d). National accounts |

For discussion

Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts ([E/CN.3/2020/8](#))

5–5.30 p.m.

Item 3 (e). International trade and business statistics

For discussion

Joint report of the Committee of Experts on Business and Trade Statistics and the Inter-Agency Task Force on International Trade Statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/9](#))

5.30–6 p.m.

Item 3 (f). Price statistics

For discussion

Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/10](#))

Wednesday, 4 March 2020

10–10.30 a.m.

Item 3 (g). International Comparison Programme

For discussion

Report of the World Bank on the International Comparison Programme ([E/CN.3/2020/11](#))

10.30–11 a.m.

Item 3 (h). Environmental-economic accounting

For discussion

Report of the Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting ([E/CN.3/2020/12](#))

11–11.30 a.m.

Item 3 (i). Agricultural and rural statistics

For discussion

Report of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on recent developments in agricultural and rural statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/13](#))

11.30 a.m.–noon

Item 3 (j). Demographic statistics

For discussion

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the 2020 World Population and Housing Census Programme and the methodology for delineation of cities and urban and rural areas for international comparison purposes ([E/CN.3/2020/14](#))

Noon–12.30 p.m.

Item 3 (k). Civil registration and vital statistics

For discussion

Report of the Secretary-General on the introduction of the United Nations Legal Identity Agenda: a holistic approach to civil registration, vital statistics and identity management ([E/CN.3/2020/15](#))

- 12.30–1 p.m. Item 3 (l). Health statistics
For discussion
Report of the World Health Organization on health statistics and strengthening statistical systems to track the health-related Sustainable Development Goals ([E/CN.3/2020/16](#))
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- 3–3.30 p.m. Item 3 (m). Gender statistics
For discussion
Report of the Secretary-General on gender statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/17](#))
- 3.30–4 p.m. Item 3 (n). Refugee statistics
For discussion
Report of the Expert Group on Refugee and Internally Displaced Persons Statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/18](#))
- 4–4.30 p.m. Item 3 (o). Governance, peace and security statistics
For discussion
Report of the Praia Group on Governance Statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/19](#))
- 4.30–5 p.m. Item 3 (p). Regional statistical development
For discussion
Report of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean on cooperation for regional statistical development ([E/CN.3/2020/20](#))
- 5–5.30 p.m. Item 3 (q). Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics
For discussion
Report of the Friends of the Chair group on the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/21](#))
- 5.30–6 p.m. Item 3 (r). Management and modernization of statistical systems
For discussion
Report of the Secretary-General on management and modernization of statistical systems ([E/CN.3/2020/22](#))

Thursday, 5 March 2020

- 10–10.30 p.m. Item 3 (s). Information and communications technology statistics
- For discussion*
- Report of the Partnership on Measuring Information and Communication Technology for Development ([E/CN.3/2020/23](#))
- 10.30–11 a.m. Item 3 (t). Big data
- For discussion*
- Report of the Global Working Group on Big Data for Official Statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/24](#))
- 11–11.30 a.m. Item 3 (u). Integration of statistical and geospatial information
- For discussion*
- Report of the Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information ([E/CN.3/2020/25](#))
- 11.30 a.m.–noon Item 3 (v). Open data
- For discussion*
- Report of the Working Group on Open Data ([E/CN.3/2020/26](#))
- Noon–12.30 p.m. Item 3 (w). Working methods of the Statistical Commission
- For discussion*
- Report of the Bureau on working methods: towards more coordinated and coherent structure and functions of groups ([E/CN.3/2020/27](#))
- 12.30–1 p.m. Item 3 (x). World Statistical Day
- For discussion*
- Report of the Secretary-General on World Statistics Day ([E/CN.3/2020/28](#))
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- 3–6 p.m. Item 4. Items for information
- Note: The following items are presented to the Commission for information. Limited time has been allocated for interventions under these items.

Item 4 (a). Follow-up to the policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council

For information

Report of the Secretary-General on policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council that are relevant to the work of the Statistical Commission ([E/CN.3/2020/29](#))

Item 4 (b). Short-term economic statistics

For information

Report of the Secretary-General on short-term economic statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/30](#))

Item 4 (c). Price statistics

For information

Report of the Ottawa Group on Price Indices ([E/CN.3/2020/31](#))

Item 4 (d). Service statistics

For information

Report of the Voorburg Group on Service Statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/32](#))

Item 4 (e). Environment statistics

For information

Report of the Secretary-General on environment statistics ([E/CN.3/2020/33](#))

Item 4 (f). Disability statistics

For information

Joint report of the Secretary-General, the Washington Group on Disability Statistics and international agencies ([E/CN.3/2020/34](#))

Item 4 (g). Statistics of human development

For information

Report of the United Nations Development Programme on the statistics of human development ([E/CN.3/2020/35](#))

Friday, 6 March 2020

- 10–10.30 a.m. Item 5. Programme questions (Statistics Division)
- Oral report by the Director of the Statistics Division concerning current activities, plans and priorities
- 10.30–11 a.m. Item 6. Provisional agenda and dates for the fifty-second session of the Commission
- For discussion*
- Note by the Secretariat containing the draft provisional agenda for the fifty-second session of the Commission ([E/CN.3/2020/L.2](#))
- Note by the Secretariat on the draft multi-year programme of work of the Statistical Commission, 2020–2024 ([E/CN.3/2020/36](#))
- 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Item 7. Report of the Commission on its fifty-first session
- For discussion*
- Draft report of the Commission on its fifty-first session
- Informal paper with draft decisions
- Closing of the session
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